

PHYS 100C Midterm, Tuesday May 7, 11:00-12:20 (1hr 20min)

1. An electromagnetic wave is described by the equations:

$$E(x, y, z, t) = E_0 e^{ik\left(\frac{\hat{x}+\hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - i\omega t} \hat{z}$$

ignore hats in the exponents

$$B(x, y, z, t) = B_0 e^{ik\left(\frac{\hat{x}+\hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) - i\omega t} \frac{\hat{x} - \hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- a) Describe the direction of wave propagation
b) This wave is incident on a mirror-like planar ^{perfectly conducting} surface described by the equation $x=0$. Write down the equations for the E and B components of the reflected wave.
2. Find the radiation pressure resulting from sunlight with ^{intensity} ~~power~~ 1 kW/m^2 normally incident at an air-glass interface with index of refraction $n=1.5$
3. Waves on a guitar string have the dispersion relation:

$$\omega^2 = \frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4$$

(here T is the string tension, μ is the string mass per unit length and α is a constant).

- a) Find the expression for the ratio of group and phase velocities of the guitar string waves
b) What is the value for this ratio in the limit of very small k ? In the large k limit?
4. Transform the potentials for an infinite charged solenoid given below (in cylindrical coordinates, with ρ , n , I and R as constants) so that the new potential $V'(r, \varphi)=0$ and find the corresponding $A'(r, \varphi)$ (up to a constant).

$$V(r, \varphi) = \frac{\rho}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} \quad , \quad A(r, \varphi) = \frac{\mu_0 n I}{2} \frac{R^2}{r} \hat{\varphi}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ a) } \vec{E}_I = E_0 e^{ik(\frac{x+y}{\sqrt{2}}) - i\omega t} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B}_I = B_0 e^{ik(\frac{x+y}{\sqrt{2}}) - i\omega t} \cdot \frac{\hat{x} - \hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

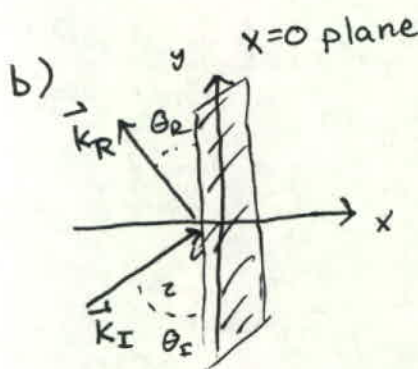
$$\hat{n} = \hat{z}$$

$$\hat{k} \times \hat{n} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{x} & \hat{y} & \hat{z} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{\hat{x}}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Describe the direction of wave propagation: $\vec{k} \cdot \vec{r} = k \frac{x+y}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$\text{direction } \hat{k} = \frac{\hat{x} + \hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow$$

upwards at a 45° angle
in the xy-plane

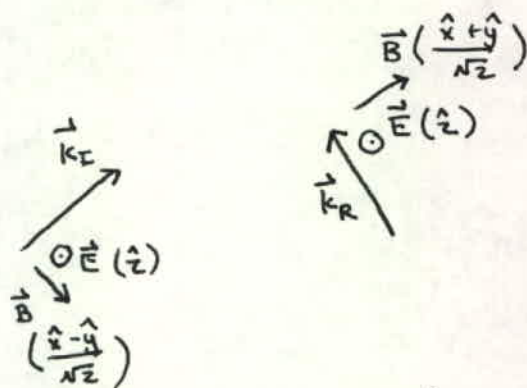


perfectly conducting surface, 100% reflecting
so there is no transmitted wave

$$\theta_I = \theta_R \quad \text{law of reflection}$$

at a conducting surface, there is a 180°
phase shift to the \vec{E} and \vec{B} fields

to satisfy the boundary conditions



$$\vec{E}_R = E_0 e^{ik(\frac{-x+y}{\sqrt{2}}) - i\omega t + \pi} \hat{z}$$

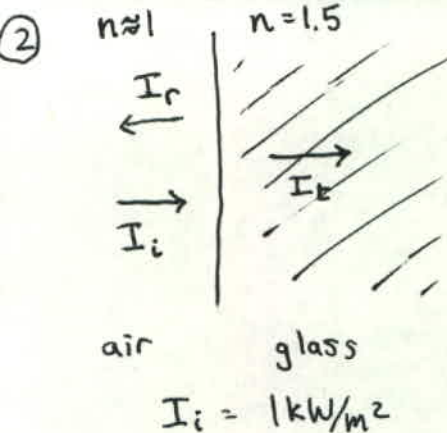
$$= -E_0 e^{ik(\frac{-x+y}{\sqrt{2}}) - i\omega t} \hat{z}$$

$$\vec{B}_R = B_0 e^{ik(\frac{-x+y}{\sqrt{2}}) - i\omega t + \pi} \cdot \frac{\hat{x} + \hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= -B_0 e^{ik(\frac{-x+y}{\sqrt{2}}) - i\omega t} \cdot \frac{\hat{x} + \hat{y}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

wave starts travelling
in $-x$ direction

$\vec{E} \times \vec{B}$ must give
direction of propagation
(Poynting vector)



reflection and transmission at normal incidence

Fresnel Equations \rightarrow

$$R \equiv \frac{I_r}{I_i} = \left(\frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1.5 - 1}{1.5 + 1} \right)^2 = 0.04$$

$$T \equiv \frac{I_t}{I_i} = \frac{4n_1 n_2}{(n_1 + n_2)^2} = \frac{4(1.5)(1)}{(1.5 + 1)^2} = 0.96$$

radiation pressure $P = \frac{I}{c}$ (absorbed / transmitted)

$$P = \frac{2I}{c} \text{ (reflected)}$$

$$P_{\text{total}} = \frac{(0.96)(1 \text{ kW/m}^2) + 2(0.04)(1 \text{ kW/m}^2)}{3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}} = \boxed{3.47 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ N/m}^2}$$

③ a) $\omega^2 = \frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4 \Rightarrow \omega = \left(\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4 \right)^{1/2}$

$$v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4 \right)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(2 \frac{T}{\mu} k + 4 \alpha k^3 \right)$$

$$v_p = \frac{\omega}{k} = \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4 \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{v_g}{v_p} = \frac{k \cdot \left(\frac{T}{\mu} k + 2 \alpha k^3 \right)}{\left(\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4 \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4 \right)^{1/2}} =$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + 2 \alpha k^4}{\frac{T}{\mu} k^2 + \alpha k^4}}$$

b) in the limit $k \rightarrow 0$, the k^2 term dominates so $\frac{v_g}{v_p} \rightarrow \boxed{1}$
 " " " $k \rightarrow \infty$, " k^4 " " so $\frac{v_g}{v_p} \rightarrow \frac{2 \alpha k^4}{k^4} \rightarrow \boxed{2}$

④ $V(r, \psi) = \frac{\rho}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r}$ $\vec{A}(r, \psi) = \frac{\mu_0 n I}{2} \frac{R^2}{r} \hat{\psi}$

gauge transformation $\begin{cases} V' = V - \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial t} \\ \vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \lambda \end{cases}$

if $V' = 0$, this means $\int \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial t} dt = \int \frac{\rho}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} dt$

$$\lambda = \frac{\rho t}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} + C(r, \theta, \psi)$$

found λ up to a constant
ignore for the rest of the problem

$$\nabla \lambda = \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial r} \hat{r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial \psi} \hat{\psi} + \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial z} \hat{z}$$

$$\nabla \lambda = \frac{-\rho t}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r}$$

$$\vec{A}' = \vec{A} + \nabla \lambda = \boxed{\frac{-\rho t}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r^2} \hat{r} + \frac{\mu_0 n I R^2}{2r} \hat{\psi}}$$